

Historiques *American 1921* - 36.5 mm



- An original new 36.5 mm diameter that will delight those with the slimmest wrists
- An 18K 5N pink gold case
- Iconic diagonal display and off-centred crown
- Mechanical manual-winding caliber

The watch of dandies and chic female urbanites. The Historiques *American 1921* epitomises the boldness of an era and the technical sophistication of a Vacheron Constantin creation. Reinterpreted in a 36.5 mm diameter, this iconic 1920s model acquires an even more stylish allure. A cushion-shaped case in 18K 5N pink gold, a distinctive diagonal read-off, an off-centred crown between 1 and 2 o'clock: the Historiques *American 1921 – 36.5 mm* model continues flaunting its vintage credentials while remaining true to its original aesthetic codes. Classical yet quirky.

For almost 20 years, the Historiques collection has been giving a new lease on life to the icons of Vacheron Constantin's technical and aesthetic heritage. This range composed of legendary watches revisited with a contemporary twist is produced in modest quantities, implicitly extending a discreet invitation to collectors of rare pieces and vintage watch connoisseurs. Among these creative archetypes is a much sought-after original creation designed in the Roaring Twenties for the American market and accordingly named the *American 1921*. This avant-garde cushion-shaped watch stands out with its diagonal display and its off-centred crown. A fabled model now offered for the first time in a smaller 36.5 mm size.



Boldness and convenience

Reading the time while keeping one's hands on the steering wheel, or during a speech without having to twist the wrist. Such was the extremely practical historical vocation of this watch with its diagonal read-off, created by Vacheron Constantin in the 1920s for an American client with a passion for cars. This highly distinctive display was achieved by a 45-degree counter-clockwise rotation of the movement, thereby naturally displacing the crown to between 1 and 2 o'clock, and the small seconds display to between 4 and 5 o'clock. The creative boldness of this composition is offset by the understated elegance of the finely grained silver-toned dial with its black painted Arabic numerals and minute track, slender open-tipped hands in black oxidised 18K gold, and a baton-shaped hand on the seconds counter. Elegance and eccentricity on the wrist.

Creativity and high standards

Loyal to the original, the *Historiques American 1921* – 36.5 mm model watch comes in a cushion-shaped case in 18K 5N pink gold. Fitted with a lightly domed sapphire crystal, this model houses the Vacheron Constantin 4400 AS manual-winding caliber, driving hours, minutes and small seconds indications while ensuring a comfortable 65-hour power reserve. The transparent caseback reveals the hand-crafted finishing of the movement, a true signature of Fine Watchmaking. Setting the perfect final touch, the hand-stitched dark brown alligator leather strap with large square scales is fitted with a pin buckle shaped like a half Maltese cross, the historical emblem of the Maison. This watch will be also delivered with a second red alligator shiny leather strap to match a feminine style.

TECHNICAL DATA

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Reference	1100S/000R-B430 Hallmark of Geneva certified timepiece
Calibre	4400 AS Developed and manufactured by Vacheron Constantin Mechanical, manual-winding 28.6 mm (12 ½ ″) diameter 2.8 mm thick Approximately 65 hours of power reserve 4 Hz (28,800 vibrations/hour) 127 components 21 jewels
Indications	Hours, minutes Small seconds
Case	18K 5N Pink gold 36.5 mm diameter, 7.25 mm thick Transparent sapphire crystal caseback Water-resistance tested at a pressure of 3 bar (approx. 30 metres)
Dial	Grained finishing Black painted Arabic numerals and minute track Applied Maltese cross in polished 18K 5N pink gold
Strap	Brown <i>Mississippiensis</i> alligator leather with alligator inner shell, hand-stitched, saddle-finish, large square scales Delivered with a second red <i>Mississippiensis</i> alligator shiny leather with alsavel inner shell, stitched-tip, square scales
Buckle	18K 5n pink gold buckle Polished half Maltese cross-shaped